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November 10, 2003

Ref: 2592-20543

Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application

Upper Frio Sand, Reservoir A

EAST MOSS LAKE FIELD

Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana Applicant: Mayne & Mertz, Inc.

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of Mayne & Mertz, Inc. for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Upper Frio Sand, Reservoir A in the East Moss Lake Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 163 acres for the Upper Frio Sand, Reservoir A, designated as the U F RA SUA, East Moss Lake Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached revised plat;
- To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
- 3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
- 4. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

The Upper Frio Sand (UPR 10,400'), in the East Moss Lake Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 10,300 feet and 10,375 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Conoco-Prairie Canal No. B-1 Well, located in Section 3, Township 11 South, Range 9 West, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana.

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In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on November 10, 2003. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. B. J. Duplantis and presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. A counterplan with a slightly different eastern boundary was presented by Travis Helms on behalf of Gus Schram, which was adopted by the applicant. The rights of the parties were reserved. It appears that there will be no opposition to the applicant's proposal at the public hearing.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the Upper Frio Sand, RA SUA, East Moss Lake Field, Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Leon Comeaux & Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana 70505, (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

BJD/ht

Attachments

c: Mr. Richard D. Hudson, District Manager Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

